This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1.   (Previously Presented) A method for providing of content data to a client, comprising:

receiving a selection of content data from the client;

generating a file comprising license information and a locator for the content data, wherein the license information indicates a license status enabling the client to access the content data;

sending of the file to the client; and

synchronizing with local license related data on the client indicating an updated license status updated based on an amount of client usage of the content data following the sending of the file to the client and before the synchronizing.

2.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising:

in response to receiving the selection of the content data from the client, requesting of license conditions information from a license server;

sending of information indicative of one or more license offers to the client; and

receiving an acceptance from the client.

3-15.   (Canceled)

16.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the generated file comprises an XML file having a defined DTD format.

17.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein synchronizing of local license related data on the client further comprises:

receiving a request to renew the license from the client and make payment for the renewal in response to the client determining that the updated license status indicates that the license has expired.

18-38. (Canceled)

39.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the amount of usage of the content data comprises the amount of usage at the client after the license status is expired at the client.

40.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

during synchronization, determining the amount of usage of the content data at the client after the license status is expired at the client;

receiving payment for the amount of usage of the content data after the license status is expired, wherein the synchronizing with the local license related data comprises renewing the local license related data to allow continued use of the content data in response to receiving the payment for the amount of usage.

41-44. (Canceled)